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William Caton Acting Secretary FCC 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

In re: MM Docket No. 01-235 and MM Docket No. 96-197 In the Matter of Cross-Ownership of Broadcast Stations and Newspapers and Newspaper/Radio Cross-Ownership Waiver Policy

Dear Mr. Caton:

I submit for the record in this proceeding the attached article "A Voice in the Wilderness" by Frank A. Blethen, publisher and CEO of the *Seattle Times* newspaper. In the article, Mr. Blethen supports keeping the current cross-ownership ban on owning a newspaper and TV station in the same market. He writes:

It is no longer feasible for metropolitan areas to support competing metro newspapers. This makes the separation of TV and newspaper ownership in local communities vital to preserve multiple sources of news and a diversity of community voices.

Sincerely,

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